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Title: A METHOD FOR PHYSICAL PLACEMENT OF AN INTEGRATED CIRCUIT ADAPTIVE TO

NETLIST CHANGES

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

CONDITIONAL PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

This conditional petition is being filed along with the accompanying CONTINUED PROSECUTION APPLICATION

and provides for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time.

Conditional petition for extension of time

If any extension of time for the accompanying response is required, applicant requests that this be considered a petition therefor.

Status

This application is on behalf of

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[X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No.: 23-0085.
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